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## STRIKES DO NOT PAY

A THOUGHTFUL SURVEY OF THE AMERICAN LABOR PROBLEM.

### SUGGESTED BY THE WALK-OUT

At Jeffersonville—Costly to Whites and Fatal to Negroes—Operation of Trade Unions Rarely Beneficial to Our Race Under Present Leadership.

By Our Special Correspondent.

Do strikes pay?

This oft repeated query has been very justly answered in the negative at Jeffersonville, Ind., where three hundred or more operatives in the American Car and Foundry Company walked out because of non compliance with a demand for an advance of 25 per cent in their wages. The withdrawal of these mechanics left an army of helpers and labors with nothing to do in the shops, and they had to go out too, willy or nilly. Hundreds of the latter class were colored. They were not members of the union, and had no desire to strike, nor sympathy with the policy of that proscriptive organization. To strengthen their cause however, the union leaders deemed it advisable to bring the Negroes into the fold, and a number of them joined the separate organization provided for them, fearing that a refusal to do so would bar them from further work at the close of the strike, be it success or a failure. Thus more than 700 men were idle, pending the settlement of the grievances alleged. Six long weeks of dickering, many conferences and much sorrow and travail elapsed. Today finds the whole outfit back at their posts, practically on the company's terms, with no recognition of the union stipulated. A sliding scale of wages was adopted, carrying an increase of from five to fifteen cents per day, which the corporation had offered at the outset, but which had been haughtily declined throughout the weary siege. The "strike breaker" in the case was Grim Starvation.

Count up the cost of the unpleasantness. How many wage earners can be absent from work for six weeks without suffering direful consequences? It is not difficult to imagine the daily depletion of the little exchequer, grocery bills accumulating, rent behind, wife ailing and baby sick; no money for medicine or dainties; hoping against hope for a call to duty at any price. This is the monotonous routine endured by the majority of the families, the heads of which were unemployed, because ambitious walking delegates had ordered a strike without due deliberation, and a semblance of the "stiff upper lip" had to be kept up to maintain the dignity of their position. It is estimated that the actual cost of the Jeffersonville strike was not less than $75,000, of which the men lost in wages $30,000, and the company $[illegible],000. To the community at large the damage was not less than $4,000, as every business which depended upon the general patronage was deeply affected by the withdrawal of trade and tightness of money that usually flowed freely. Not a penny of this can be made up, and it is fair to presume that even with the infinitesimal increase granted it will be many months before the families of the strikers can begin to see the entrance to "Easy street."

This strike did not pay. It is of a piece with hundreds of others that disturb the business interests of our republic.

Does any strike really pay? Whether the operaters are white, black or mixed, who in the long run is obliged to make good the losses—their own and those of the employers? The consuming public, of course, of which mass the workingmen form the larger part. Then, isn't there a moral question bound up in these labor and capital quarrels that must not be overlooked? The unions say in effect that the managers of great corporations who have invested their money their money, their brains and personal resources of every kind in a business shall no be permitted to conduct that business, except in a way satisfactory to a section of their employees who have not a dollar's interest in the plant. The unions, purely personal and private associations, insist that employees be granted sundry concessions, whether the condition of business justify them or not. The members thereof must not be asked to work beside an equally competent man, who does not see fit to become one of their order, and no man must be discharged except for reasons which they can approve. A failure to comply with each and every one of these provisions means a shutting up of the shop, and no other men must be allowed to take the abandomed places in which they claim a vested right. Corporations must not be free to employ whomsoever they please, nor shall outside workmen accept employment, if they feel that they can put up with the rules and wages of the institution. This course—not far removed from petty tyranny—is unionism gone mad!

Put the boot on the other leg. A peculiar thing about the extremists of these orders is that rules fit the description frequently applied to poor ones—they work but one way. The union arrogates to itself to decide who may work, how long, and at what compensation. No corporation or individual in business has any right which orgaized labor is bound to respect. It says black faced men, red haired women, or long eared boys shall not be allowed to earn their bread, the dictum must stand. It must have no law beyond its own sweet will. Suppose now that the corporations should discharge union men because of a refusal to work for a certain scale. Not content with this, suppose they claim a right to their services, and by some law, self made, they follow up the men and forcibly prevent them from making arrangements elsewhere—even refusing them peaceable protection in their own homes—wouldn't that be regarded as an unmitigated outrage! Wouldn't a howl go up that would reverberate from Dan to Beersheba! We draw this parallel in passing merely to illustrate that capital perchance has rights as well as labor, and that "sauce for the goose ought to be sauce for the gander.

To bring the matter a little nearer home, what benefits have the unions ever conferred on the Negro race. In sporadic instances as at Jeffersonville, the black helpers have been organized as a means of breaking down a possibly dangerous competition, or to further weaken the employers. What consideration has, as a rule, been shown these black men after the battle has been lost or won? In what strikes, even where Negro crews are employed, like the waiters of Chicago, have the white organizations shown the slightest sympathy in word or deed? Except at the government printing office in Washington—an "open shop" by the magnanimous spirit and rare courage of President Roosevelt—Negroes are not allowed, in any appreciable numbers, to hold printer's "frames," and only in the South, where Negro labor is preferred, where it is competent, is the black man permitted to serve with freedom in the various industrial trades. Organized labor is, to all intents and purposes, a gigantic trust, and a white man's trust at that. They arrogate unto themselves the supreme right to work, closing the door of hope to the skilled black man, denying fellowship to the very best ally unionism could have were this illogical barrier removed.

It must not be understood that the Negro is opposed to organized labor, except in so far as organized labor is opposed to him—although the race cannot and does not endorse autocratic methods that call strikes, without extreme provocation; nor does it countenance resorts to violence and lawlessness at any time when the civilized weapon of arbitration and mutual consessions is available. It is not claimed that within proper limitations the union is not a good thing. The strike, the boycott and the mob however are enemies to free government, and good citizenship cannot justify them save in rare instances when the law and its administrators are powerless to offer a remedy or absolutely refuse to do their duty. Individual usurpation of legal functions has no place in a democracy where the suffrage is king. The black man is a factor in the economic scheme of this country. He must sooner or later be reckoned with. Organized labor owes it to him to no longer stand like a stone wall between him and his right to work, or like a wild beast between him and his right to earn at his trade the meat and bread he must have for the family of his bosom. John Mitchell argues well for the legitimacy of unionism, as does also Samuel Gompers, but they speak always as white men, and for white men only. They cannot or do not attempt to enter into the feelings of the Negro artisans of today, or sympathize with the aspirations of the skilled industralists coming up from Tuskegee and Hampton, who will be the competitors for places tomorrow. Will they stand with Mitchell and Gompers, or will they choose their natural alternative and ally their brain and muscle with Parry and Baer? Strikes do not pay white men. They are fatal to Negroes. From our standpoint organized labor, with its antagonism to advanced ideas, its rapacious walking delegates, its insensate demands and tyrannical methods is opposed to the genius of modern civilization. The cross-road has about been reached.

Will unionism stretch forth her hand of friendship to the faithful, sturdy black yeomanry of our land?

Will it force him to turn to an alliance with capital as his guide, philosopher and friend?

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SHARPS AND FLATS.

Joe Gans, like Alexander of old, having whipped everything in his class, is sighing for new worlds to conquer. He is the lightweight champion, but has decided to go after the middleweights for a "try-out" at least. He has issued challenges to Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Joe Wolcott. Gans is anxious for a "go" with Young Corbett, it is said, and is quoted with saying that he will knock out that doughty fighter in six rounds or not ask a cent.

If Mrs. Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin, of Boston, visits Tuskegee this winter, as planned, she will be sure to witness much that will be pleasing and inspiring. She will find Mrs. Booker T. Washington an ideal hostess. Mrs. Ruffin is an earnest worker in the cause of race elevation, and her presence at Tuskegee cannot fail to exert a most helpful influence upon the teachers and students there.

The witty Washington Evening Star rises to remark that Booker Washington does not mention it, but it is likely that he would like to have his race educated not to do some of the things that are considered the smart thing in white society. Yes, we think the Tuskegeean is on record as warning the black man to imitate fewer of the white man's vices and more of his virtues.

Sergeant Emmett Hawkins, of Company K, Twenty-fourth Infantry, Ft. Missoula, Mont., is America's "crack" rifle-shot, winning the medal for individual marksmanship at Sea Girt last year. He became the master of the great military weapon because, to use his own language, he "made up his mind to do something in the world better than somebody else."

Over weening ambition on the part of organized labor, coupled with an unintelligent selfishness, is sounding the death knell of unionism. Men who invest their capital in a business are determined to have something to say as to how that business shall be conducted. They are entitled to protection in their rights as well as the laborer.

Editor J. Wesley Cromwell, who seems to be posing as the "wetnurse" of the J. Albert Johnson bishopric boom, insists that The Freeman shall not have a monopoly of the bishop-making industry. It may be, however, that The Freeman will prove a better guesser than the Washington editor with the doubly distinguished name.

It is reported that a few of the Negroes who went to West Africa to experiment in cotton culture have returned to this country, pronouncing their mission a failure. In this pioneer work on the Dark Continent some will succeed, others will go to the wall. Only the fittest survive the trying ordeals of life anyway.

The individual who declars that "this is a white man's country, and that white men only shall rule it," would undo all the splendid work of Lincoln, Sumner, Phillips Grant and Douglass—if he had the power. Such men are dangerous. They are neither good Americans nor and kind of christians.

Rev. Francis J. Grimke's letter of sympathy to William Monroe Trotter, deploring the latter's punishment for disorderly conduct and attempt to surpress the freedom of speech at a public meeting, reflected more credit upon his tenderness of heart than upon his usually sound judgment.

The speech on the race problem delivered a few nights ago by Bishop Alexander Walters at Worcester, Mass., was a masterpiece of reason and eloquence. He followed the distinguished Senator Hoar and Ex Mayor McConnell, receiving an ovation equaling theirs in volumn and enthusiasm.

Australia has become infected with the anti-Negro virus. Under a new law the government will make no contract with any steamship for carrying the mails if it allows a colored man to work on said ship. The mail steamers have heretofore been manned by colored Britons from India.

The grand jury at Boston has found a true bill of indictment against William Monroe Trotter and G. Washington Forbes for publishing alleged libelous matter against William Pickens. The minimum sentence in such cases, if found guilty, is one to two years in the penitentiary.

The Atlanta Constitution regards the Negro as the corner-stone of southern industry. John Temple Graves thinks we are of little consequence in the labor equation. The Constitution should advise its "dafty" neighbor to take treatment in time, or he is a "goner."

Many "smart Negroes," who now claim to be westerners, northernors and down-easterners, "unto the mannor born," originated in Virginia, North Carolinia, Georgia and Mississippi and other states 'way down South. Why this pretense?

The South is still asking to be "let al one." There is no disposition to disturb the progressive, honorable and fair-minded people there, but the thugs, lynchers and despoilers of women cannot expect to be "let alone," if our republic is to endure.

Separate Bibles are used in North Carolina for swearing whites and blacks in court. It is a relief to know that the $5 bill is still legal tender between the races, even though the name of a Georgia Negro adorns it.

White supremacy is not threatened, despite the Negro's rapid progress. We haven't enough railroads, stocks and bonds or lands to justify a suspicion that we shall do any dominating for several years to come.

Rev. Ernest Lyon, our Minister to Liberia, writes that "the lynching fad" in the United States embarrasses the Negro abroad, and puts the country to very great disadvantage in the claims of civilization.

William Pickens is in receipt of some gratuitous advice from the Washington Record, which he will find about as valuable as most advice emanating from that particular source.

It might be interesting to know from what book of quotations Mr. Forbes, of the Guardian, swells the poetic effusions with which he is wont to embellish his editorial lucubrations.

A movement has been started in Richmond, Va., to erect a monument to the late Rev. John Jasper, whose life-long insistence that "de sun do move" won for him a national fame.

Caucasion domination is not in jeopardy. It is merely a part of the stock in trade of Gorman, Vardaman, Tillman, Graves, Carmack et. el. to make the ignorant whites think so.

We wonder if Booker T. Washington's educational system wouldn't be more palatable to some of the critics if the "Tuskegee citizen" had been born in Boston.

No, dear readers, Col. Robert Gould Shaw was not a Negro, but he got a lot of fight out of the very best Negro regiment the country every saw at Fort Wagner.

Strikes are caused not so much by the actual grievances of the workmen, but through the burning desire of the "walking delegate" to hold his own job.

It is possible that Mr. Carnegie doesn't know that Negroes are being barred from the libraries he is giving for the benefit of all the people.

The individual Negro needs equipment for intelligent service and fair opportunity for employment for more than the needs alms.

Senator Gorman should not fool himself into the belief that there is a Democratic presidency wrapped up in the race issue.

The progress of the race is reflected in its truly representative newspapers. The humbug publisher is soon forced to the wall.

The letter of the revised constitutions of southern states should not be confused with the maladministration thereof.

Friends, as the world understands the term, people who say pleasant things of you when you are successful.

The esteemed Star of Zion evidently reads The Freeman with a degree of care that is most commendable.

Prof. W. Ferris, Master of Arts, has mastered the art of letting go in a timely and graceful fashion.

Ananias would feel outclassed if he should enter Washington journalism today.

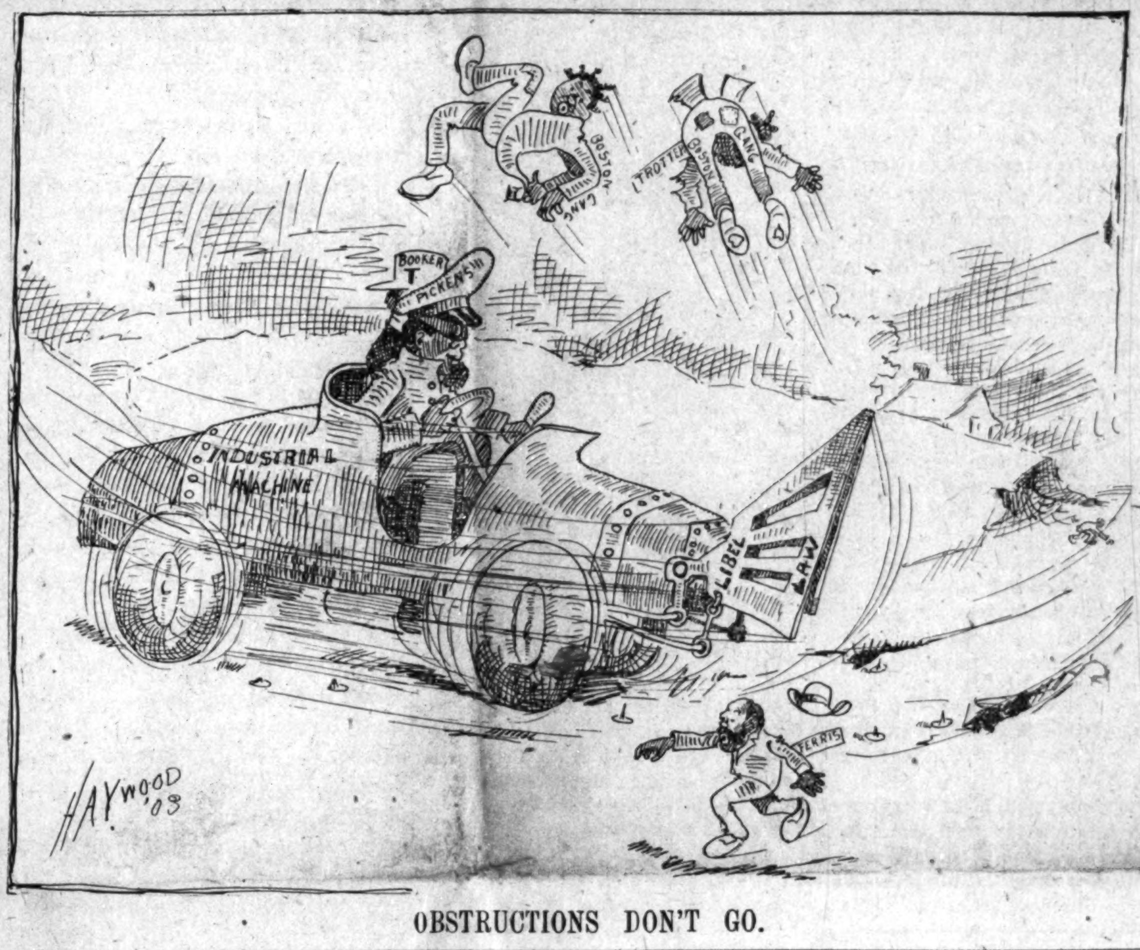
School houses are less costly to a community than jails.

Advertising pays—in every enterprise except wife-hunting.

The South had better beware of the walking delegate.

The dancing class has succeeded the river excursion.

R. W. Thompson.




OBSTRUCTIONS DON'T GO.

## THE WEEKLY EVENTS

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS BY OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

### A CONDENSED PUBLICATION OF

Many Important Happenings of the Past Few Days--A Comprehensive Review Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—Rev. George C. Clements, pastor of Broadway A. M. E. Zion Church, preached the quarterly meeting sermon at Wall Street A. M. E. Zion Church, Jeffersonville, last Sunday, being most cordially received by a large audience. To The Freeman representative Dr. Clements spoke in complimentary terms of the aptitude with which Rev. Owen Carrington, the pastor, is taking holt of the new and difficult situation at Jeffersonville, and praised the congregation of Wall street for the sacrifices that are being made for the cause of Christ. For sometime the members have been hoping to get out of their present inconvenient quarters and erect upon the lot a handsome church edifice, but several hitches have occurred which have compelled postponement after postponement of their plans for building. They are not dismayed however, and will give Rev. Mr. Carrington loyal support in his effort to provide a suitable house o worship. Dr. Clements was of the opinion that this Jeffersonville case is one that deserves serious consideration at the hands of the Church Extension Board, which was created for the specific purpose of assisting the struggling churches of the connection. Under proper auspices Jeffersonville would be a good station, as the colored population is quite large, and the people are reliable and industrious. It would pay the Extension Board to plant a church there, Dr. Clements thinks, and give the field a chance for development. Accessions would come in rapidly, and in a few years the debt could be paid off. Dr. Clements' views are sound, and the Board would do well to give them heed. He is a successful pastor and edits the Zion Methodist in connection with his work at Louisville. He is prominently mentioned as the next editor of the Star of Zion, the general church's organ.

Muncie News Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The funeral of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor of South Proud street took place Sunday. Rev. Taylor of the A. M. E. church conducted the funeral services. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor moved here some months ago from Louisville, Ky. The Women's Mite Missionary Society held a special services Sunday evening at 6.45, at which time a juvenile choir furnished music. Mr. Clore and daughter, Mrs. Julia Robbins, were in Plainfield on business last week. Mrs. James Sawyer is visiting friends in Kokomo, Ind. Mr Mathew Blair and sister, Mrs. Claybrooks, left Saturday for Nashville, Tenn., to remain. Mrs Claybrooks has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Cooper, for several months in hope of improving her health and has been benefitted very much. The young people have organized a dramatic club and are going to produce plays for the benefit of the churches. They play Thirty Years' of Freedom at A. M. E church Monday evening. The same play was produced at Second Baptist church two weeks ago and was a decided success. All wish the club success in future. The ladies of the "Sewing Circle" will give an "Old Maids' Convention" at A. M. E. church early in December, date to be announced later. Mr Crowder of Logansport spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Cairo News Notes.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—Bishop Tane preached a noble sermon Sunday morning at the C M E church. Conference is convening there this week. Sunday was rally day for the officers of the A. M. E. church, total amount collected $110 20. We extend hearty thanks to the Busy Workers for their liberal collection of $40. Mrs. Nanie Hale is on the sick list. Miss Katie Martin and sister, Mrs. Ama C. Bell, attended a banquet at the Mound, Monday night. Prof. Ward's orchestra is making a hit playing "Hiawatha." Mrs. Amae Bell was the guest of Mrs John Wade of of Mound City. The condition of Miss Emma Litton is very much improved.

BY CHARLES ALEXANDER.

Luther's Commentary on the First Twenty-two Psalms. Based on Dr Henry Cole's translations from the original Latin. Revised, enlarged, parts retranslated and edited in complete form. By John Nicholos Lenker, D, D.. Lutherans in All Lands Co Minneapolis, Minn. 462 pages, $2 25.

Dr. Lenker is rendering the christian world a great and lasting service by bringing out the complete works of Martin Luther in English. The volume before us is the first of the standard edition of Luther's works The works will be completed in thirteen volumes A careful examination of this first book indicates that Luther was a great theological scholar that he was a profound thinker and knew how to write down his thoughts in the most forceful, direct, and logical manner. The student of divinity will find in Luther's Commentary on the Psalms plenty of material for extended discussion and study. It is really inspiring to the lover of sacred literature to read Luther's works and it is surprising that they have not had a more extensive circulation in English in the past. The English-speaking people cannot help admiring his simplicity of style. He was a great christian prophet and stated in the clearest language possible the fundamental facts of christian doctrine, and left to the world a book of devotion the equal of which can hardly be found outside of the Bible.

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Essay on Truth. By Milton R Scott. Published by the author at Newark, Ohio. 120 pages.

This essay deals with mamy elements of modern progress, and back of all that is written—and there is much that will prove inspiring and helpful—is to be found the interrogation point standing out in bold relief against a background of misty suggestions regarding the purposes of life. All of life is enveloped in mystery; at every turn we are baffled and bewildered,—and lost in the awful fog that builds the huge question mark between man and the material world about him, man and the future, man and the spiritual realm. The author inquires into all of these mysteries and gives us a hint as to what he has discovered. The grace and charm of virtue is pointed out as the chief object of life, and this comprehends also the love of your fellowman.

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Humbugs and Canterbury Folks. By Mrs. T Wilberforce. J. D. Hall & Company, Providence R. I. 342 pages.

This is a unique and intensely interesting book. It deals] with many kinds of humbugs. Its treatment is fearless and uncompromising. There is a seriousness and moral earnestness in the words of the writer that cannot fail to carry with them a wholesome lesson to the reader. In fact, the book has a deep and worthy purpose. This purpose is to make men and women better by pointing out to them the danger signals along the pathway of life; by calling attention to the various kinds of humbug that are buzzing about our heads every day and night; and by illustrating the possibilities of contentment and happiness to be found in noble living for other than selfish ends. Mrs Wilberforce is doing a noble work Some of her description are very fine and inspire the reader with a love for the beautiul in nature. We wish for the Wilberforce publications a wide reading.

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The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come By John Fon. Charles Scribner's Sons. New York City. New York. 404 pages $1.50.

This is a most delightful story of old Kentucky before the civil war. It is full of those dramatic situations for which the Kentucky mountaineers are famous. The characters are very attractive and the beautiful love story runing through the narative is extremely fascinatiag. Mr. Fox has given us of the best pieces of fiction of the season a book that will have a large reading for its artistic as well as its historical worth.

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A Doctor of Philosophy. By Cyrus Townsend Brady. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York. 303 pages, $1. 25.

This story is written in the author's usual spirited style, and the fatal drop of black blood serves as the basis for a strong show of sentiment against the Negro race, making it clear that to be in the least tainted with Negro blood means hopeless inferiority.

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Agriculture For Beginners. By C. W. Burkett. Frank Lincoln Stevens and Daniel Harvey Hill. Ginn & Company, Chicago, Ill. 267 pages.

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## Educational Notes.

A recent dispatch from Northampton, Mass., says: "By the terms of the will of the late Elizabeth B. Clapp, which was filed for probate to-day, (Oct. 19) four institutions for the education of Negroes receive $1,000 each. They are the Hampton Institute of Hampton, Va; Tuskegee Institute of Tuskegee, Ala.; Calhoun Colored School of Calhoun, Ala, and the Colored Normal School of Nashville, Tenn."

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As result of a recent civil service examination for medical inspectors for the public schools of Washington, D. C, one of the inspectors for the white schools and all for the colored schools are graduates of Howard University. They are: Drs. William C. Woodward, Isabel Halsup Lamb, John W. Mitchell, Henry W. Freeman, Jr., Uriah Daniels and William J Bush

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One of the noteworthy features of Knoxville College, and I suppose the same is true of all schools established for the freemen, is, what might be termed, the inner or home life of the school. All about the place, in every department, is something suggestive of an ideal home. The humblest student is always welcomed; no one in real need is ever turned away The students feel that they can take their burdens, cares and needs to their teachers and know that they have their sympathy and will receive the best advice and assistance they can give. No one can estimate the paths that have been straightened, the burdens that have been lightened, the lives that have been purified and beautified, the souls that have been saved. The aim is to teach them how to live in the highest and best way. The principles of cultured, Christian life are taught by cultured Christian men and women and no man can measure the good they do. —Mrs. Lucile Scaggs in The Aurora.

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Education must be obtaind by personal effort. Large school buildings, with great endowments, costly apparatus and splendid faculties have no magical power to make scholars. Just as a man is in all circumstances, under God, the master of his own fortune, so he is the maker of his own mind. The Creator has so constituted the human intellect that it can only grow by its own action. Every man must, therefore, educate himself. His books and teacher are but helps; the work is his. A man is not educated until he has the ability to summon, in an emergency, his mental powers in vigorous exercise to effect the proposed object. It is not the man who has seen the most, or read the most, who can do this. Neither is it the man who can boast the loudest of native vigor and capacity. The greatest of all warriors who went to the siege of Troy had not the pre-eminence because nature had given him strength, nor because he carried the largest bow, but because self discipline had taught him how to bend it. — National Baptist Union.

### Mound City Items.

Muncie, Ind, Special.—Sunday week was trustees' day at A. M. E Church and they realized quite a neat little sum from the days collections. Rev. Taylor spent a few days week before last in Franklin, Ind., his old home. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Peters are the parents of a fine daughter which came to their home the evening of last Thursday week Dr. J. W. Norrel left Monday week for the Medical Association at Nashville, Tenn. The young people of the A M. E. Church met the evening of last Thursday week to organize a literary society. The Sunday-school are preparing to give Santa Claus in Wonderland during the holidays.

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## A GREAT RECEPTION

COLORED CITIZENS DO HONOR TO THE LEADER OF THE RACE.

At Abyssinia Baptist church, New York City, October 13, 1903, colored citizens representing the best blood in the race from all the five boroughs constituting Greater New York, tendered a magnificent reception to Dr. Booker Tallaiferro Washington. Indeed few, if any, events have brought together so many truly representative Negroes. Nearly all the professions in which colored men are engaged were represented on the platform.

Mr. Lewis Bulkely, Ph. B, principal of No. 80, New York City, and Dr. Samuel R. Scottron represented the Negro in education, Counsellors Wilford H. Smith and D Macon Webster represented the bar, Hon. T. Thomas Fortune and John H. Bruce (Bruce Grit) represented the press, Fred R. Moore and F. H. Gilbert, Esqs., represented the New York branch of the Negro National Business Men's League, York Russell, M. D., and F. Augustus Johnson, M. D., represented the colored medical staff, Mrs. Dora A. Millar and Mrs. Dr. Charles S, Morris represented the Woman's Confederation.

A unique feature of this reception was the presence upon the platform of the Rt. Rev. Majola Agbebi, a native African and senior Bishop of the African Baptist church. who represented the "Blacks at home," as he said. Haiti was represented by General Jacques Paquiot formerly of the Haitian army, a native gentleman and scholar.

Precisely at 8:30 o'clock the guests of the evening were escorted to the platform by Hon. Charles W. Anderson. His appearance was the signal for the most enthusiastic applause. The audience rose and waved handkerchiefs en mass until the spectacle presented one perfect sea of linen.

Welcome addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. W. H. Brooks, pastor of St. Marks M. E. church, Rev. C. T. Walker, D D., pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist church, and Rev. Dr. Charles S. Morris, pastor of Abyssinia, who was chairman of the reception.

Rev. Morris, on introducing Dr. Washington, said, in part: "Distinguished chief, your welcome home is the sentiment of your friends and your country. We hope, and your appearance, sir, gives us reason to believe that you return to us rested and refreshed. It is with pleasure that I state to you sir that at a convention of ten thousand Negroes held in Philadelphia, Pa., a few days ago, when the question of leadership of the race came up for discussion that convention, constituted as it was of representative women and men of the race from all parts of the country, voted unanimously that the one hope of the Negro race, and its future betterment rest in the hands of the modern Moses, Dr. Booker T. Washington, and we, the Negroes of New York and vicinity, desiring to, if possible, add emphasis to the splendid and wise action of that convention, meet here tonight and in this public way place ourselves on record, and publish to the world, that we recognize your indisputable leadership, and, like the Isrealites of old, we are prepared to follow you into the promised land, Knowing that you always have a message to deliver, we now beg you to address us."

Abyssinia Baptist church is the largest edifice of worship owned by colored people in New York City, having a seating capacity of three thousand. The church was packed to overflowing and the daily papers reported that more than five hundred people were turned away on account of not being able to get inside. About eight hundred people stood in the gallery and the aisles. Dr. Washington's speech was received with great enthusiasm, having been interrupted again and again by rapturous applause.

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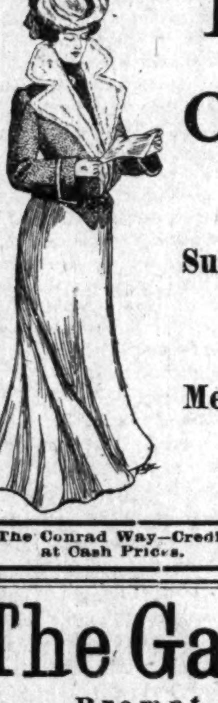

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WAITERS IN A BANQUET.

Perhaps the most interesting and enjoyable social functions of the present season was the first annual banquet of the Waiters' Culture Circle, which took place at the K. of P. Hall, 215 Beale street, Thursday night, October 29th.

The occasion was a sort of reunion of the "smart sets" of Memphis society. The tables and seats for the guests had been so arranged as to resemble a school room, with guests and members as pupils, while the tables for the speakers represented the teacher's desk. As the Culture Circle is a school for the training of waiters the table arrangements were peculiarly appropriate to the occasion. The large hall had been fittingly decorated with beautiful Japanese drapery of gay oriental colors hanging from the walls and ceiling, which were dotted at regular intervals with lovely cut flowers, while potted plants were artistically arranged around the room. The decorations contrasted with the handsome evening costume of the ladies and gentlemen produced a scene which for beauty and effect is seldom surpassed.

The menu, while for the most part composed of dainties, was well appointed and elegantly served.

Among the more prominent speakers were the Hon. J. T. Settle of the Memphis bar and the Rev. Dr. John N. Abbey of Clinton Chapel A. M. E. Zion church, Miss Priscella Reed, John W. Gilham; others were on the program.

Mr. W. A. Hill, second waiter at the Gayoso Hotel, and president of the Waiter's Culture Circle, was toastmaster.

President Hill spoke at length on the organization and purpose of the Circle. The institution was founded, he said, to create and maintain a higher order of general efficiency among colored waiters by carefully training them in all the technicalities of their profession, and to encourage better citizenship among the young men of the race. He urged his fellow waiters to cultivate habits of morality, thrift and economy.

The Rev. Dr. Abbey, in responding to the toast, "The Waiters in the Community," began his remarks by complimenting the waiters of Memphis on their general intelligence. He said the Culture Circle is a credit not alone to the waiters, but to the whole Negro race as well. "The profession of a waiter is an honorable one," said the speaker. After discussing local industrial conditions he urged the circle to continue the good work and assured the young men of the Culture Circle that success awaited their efforts.

Mr. J. E. Hill, headwaiter at the Gayoso Hotel, recently from Kansas City, Mo., in replying to Dr. Abbey on behalf of waiters, said, among other things, that obedience to orders and a quick respond to a call to duty is a characteristic of a waiter. He called attention to the rapid advance of the culinary art, saying that men who a few years ago were fully competent waiters had been forced out of the business by the onward and upward march of dining room service. Explaining why the colored waiters are shut out of first class hotels and cafes in the cities on the sea coasts, the speaker said that a lack of knowledge of the foreign languages was the main cause.

Miss Priscella Reed spoke interestingly on the subject "Our Young Men."

Rev. M. F. Fulford of this city encouraged the waiters to aspire to higher things in life. He showed how it was possible to ascend from their seemingly menial position to the loftiest planes of fame and fortune. The bishopric of church organizations, the presidency of colleges and the head of financial and industrial institutions, he said, are not beyond the waiter's grasp.

The "Need of Unity" was the subject to which Mr J. W. Gilham responded with good effect.

The feature of the evening, however, was the speech of Hon. J. T. Settle on the "Negro as an Industrial Factor." Mr. Settle said, in part, "I believe the Negro is on the brink of a crisis in the history of the race." "Such conditions," continued the speaker, "have been brought about by the ceaseless agitations of the Tillmans and Graves of the country." Mr. Settle gave as his opinion that the ultimate outcome of the present struggle would be favorable to the Negro race. Continuing, the speaker demonstrated by many historical references, the importance of industrial developments in races and nations. He called attention to the fact that those nations which occupy the fore-front in civilization to-day are essentially industrial nations. Mr. Settle declared the greatness of Germany, England and the United States was not due to the power of their armies, but to their commercial and industrial development. After discussing at length the various stages through which a race of people pass in process of development Mr. Settle closed by saying when future historians begin to narrate the contributing causes of the greatness of the American Republic they cannot fail to recognize her industrial growth, and that growth can never be truthfully recorded without giving the Negro full credit for his true worth.

W. A. HILL,
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The following crew is at the Benville Hotel, Mobile, Ala., this season:

Reuben Norman, headwaiter.

Alex Howard and J. S. Davis, capts.

Richard Jackson, Mat Reed. George Stalwarth, Frank Plump, Will Jones and Will Hinner.

Mr. Norman is a young man, and handles his crew and room with ease The boys all like him, and say he is the right man in the right place. Mr. Ed Howard is chief cook, Amos Jackson, second, with three assistants. Mr. Howard is one of the youngest chefs in Mobile, and gives satisfaction to both manager and guests. The Benville is the leading modern hotel in the city, and works a full Negro crew.

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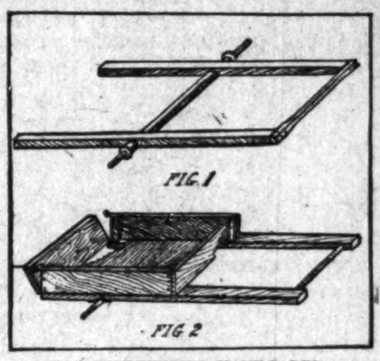


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In the illustration the end and bottom boards are broken in a couple of places to explain the manner of setting the uprights, etc. The bottom boards are screwed crosswise to the beams and serve to keep the frame solid. The end board remote from the handles may be hinged at the bottom and held at the top by easily made wooden or iron spring catches. A board leg a little shorter than the distance of the axle from the ground is attached to the box at the other end to keep the cart from tilting when not moving.

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## HOME FROM LIBERIA.

It is but natural to hope the best for Liberia, Africa, but the evidence of those returning from that country last week is not in its favor so far as it concerns cottongrowing. Unless their story is a dream, and it certainly looks that way, that country possesses not the qualities so essential for growth and prosperity. But it sounds just a trifle fishy when they insist that they were driven out of sheer necessity to exist upon roots, thus making it appear that some sort of famine exists there, in the face of the fact that there are thousands of civilized colored people in and about Liberia who have been there for years. It does not stand to reason that these people have been eating roots or that they are eating them now. The hundreds of thousands of natives could not live on roots for any great length of time. The country may not be fitted for cottonraising, but there are products that can be raised there.

The late W. D. McCoy, who, when Minister to Liberia, sent quite a number of packages of Liberian coffee to his Indianapolis friends, which was said to be of average quality. From what is understood of the country most of the ordinary products can be raised there.

It does Liberia quite an injustice to have it appear that the soil is useless simply because it does not support cotton. Indiana has no cotton, nor but little tobacco, while Kentucky, an adjoining state, has tobacco to "burn." But Indiana and Illinois have some of the finest corn in the world, and plenty of it.

Liberia makes a mistake in not advertising its attractive features. It is true that the Legislature of the state has taken some cognizance of the situation and is said to have appropriated $25,000 for setting forth its virtues. The United States is the field for its operations, but none of the fund has blown this way; it is very likely that it was merely a resolution. But Liberia must do what other countries are doing if it hopes to build up. It is too far away to chance without some definite previous knowledge as to what is to be expected. A handful of returning malcontents can do great harm in poisoning the minds of the people against the country. These returning went to raise cotton only; failing in that single industry, they give out the impression that the whole business is bad. If Liberia hopes to gain strength from the States she must present her attractive qualities in order to counteract the influence of those returning who perhaps found out that they must work in Liberia, also.

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St. Peter's Catholic church, the first of that denomination for colored people, was recently dedicated in Arkansas. Father Dorsey, the second colored man in the United States to be ordained to the priesthood, officiated. During his remarks he said that the church was the only medium for the solution of the race problem. The church was built through the efforts of Father Ferdinand, a missionary to colored people at Pine Bluff. The money was raised largely in the North.

Rev. Dorsey insists that the church is the medium for the solution of the race problem. It will be taken for granted that he has in mind the christian church, the churches that espouse Christ—his life and teachings as the ones to bring civil redemption to man. It is eminently true that if the precepts and injunctions of Christ were obeyed there would be but little work for the legislators The efficacy is in the Christ church regardless of the various creeds anent the church militant. The church is the medium, a medium, but it is not the only possible medium as it concerns the very church. Its tenets, embodying the views of Christ, must be employed, however, if the civic redemption obtains. Christ left no good thing unadvocated, and if men stumble upon right it simply proves the old maxim—there's nothing new under the sun. So in the final analysis it is of the church.

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Menelik of Abyssinia and his wife, Queen Taitu, will visit America during the World's Fair at St. Louis according to current report. Menelik claims to be the direct descendant of King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba. He has exhibited some sterling traits of character which proves that he is some body at any rate. Solomon was no remarkable warrior except it was for the conquest of hearts. In that particular he was like another Napoleon.

Queen Taitu is Menelik's second wife. She is a stout woman with a generous face, that beams with intelligence; void of that cringing, crafty appearance noted in the face of the Empress of China, yet something similar. The poise of the head, as seen in likeness, is very much like that of Queen Victoria's as noted in most of her later pictures; full of quiet dignity and nobility, but lacking in that refinement chiseled by suppressed sorrows born of national and personal afflictions; the triumph of motherhood over that of queen as noted in Queen Victoria's. Queen Taitu is said to be King Menelik's right hand "man."

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Mr. W. L. Taylor, formerly Attorney-General of the state, is being urged by his friends for the race for Governor. Mr. Taylor is a staunch, active Republican whose services to the party are well known; he has rendered the whole state effective service by his activity in behalf of the enactment of the present anti-lynching law, which has in mind the prevention of mob rule and in the interest of legal fairness to all of the citizens of the state, regardless of color. The Lincoln League of Indiana, which has done so much in honor of its illustrious namesake and also for perpetuating the principles of his party can scarcely be mentioned without thought of Mr. Taylor, who has given it much time and attention.

Mr. Taylor is a lawyer of ability, a campaign Trojan, a forceful speaker; he bids fair to be the next Governor of Indiana.

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The Boston Transcript, in its issue of Friday, October 9, has the following news item regarding the trial and sentence of the men who recently sought to create a riot in a church where Booker Washington was advertised to speak:

"Thirty days in jail is the sentence which has been imposed on William M. Trotter, editor of the Guardian, and Granville Martin, the two Negroes found guilty of disturbing the meeting on July 30 in the Columbus Avenue African Methodist Episcopal church, at which Booker T. Washington spoke. Judge Sherman was asked by counsel either to impose a fine or to place the defendants on probation but this he declined to do, saying: 'The case before the court is a very sad one. Here are two representatives of a race which in other parts of the country encounters much prejudice and has to stand for much abuse. In the city of Boston they are given their rights, but instead of enjoying them properly they go to a meeting called for a lawful purpose and create a disgraceful scene. These men might have thought Washington was unwise, but they had no right to disturb the meeting. If there is any race I have sympathy for it is the colored race, by reason of what its members have suffered in the past. But the law must be administered in order to teach others not to offend.'"

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The fifth annual meeting of the National Association of Colored Physicians, Surgeons, Dentists and Pharmacists began their sessions in Nashville, Tenn., last Tuesday, continuing three days. Dr. F. A. Stewart of Nashville, president and Dr. J. W. Norrell of Muncie, Ind., secretary. Mayor A. S. Williams of Nashville delivered the address of welcome. The president's address was heard during the morning session of the opening day and the afternoon was devoted to the reading of papers.

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The National Sociological Society composed of Negroes began its sessions last Tuesday in Washington, D. C., the object of which is to give the race question profound attention with the view of advocating those steps thought to be for its best interest. Bishop Lucien Halsey of the A. M. E. Zion church read a paper on "Race Segregation." He favors setting aside a State for the Negroes, giving his views in support of his stand. His plans were opposed generally as visionary and impracticable.

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Bishop C. S. Smith, D. D., will sail for Haiti, December 10th to hold a joint session of the Hatitien and San Domingo conferences of the A. M. E. church and to witness the ceremonies attendant upon the observance of the one hundredth anniversary of the independence of Haiti, which will take place January 1, 1904. Bishop Smith will represent the Council of Bishops in the presentation of an address of felicitation to the President of Haiti. An illuminated copy of the address, both in French and in English, will be presented to the president.

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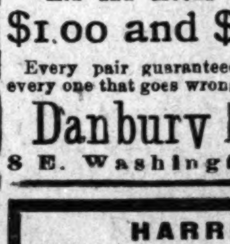


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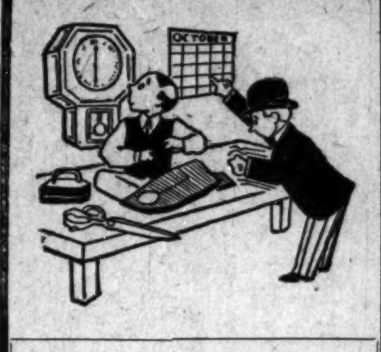


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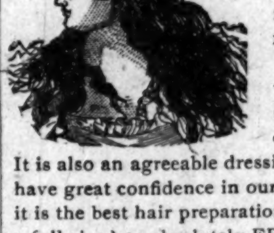

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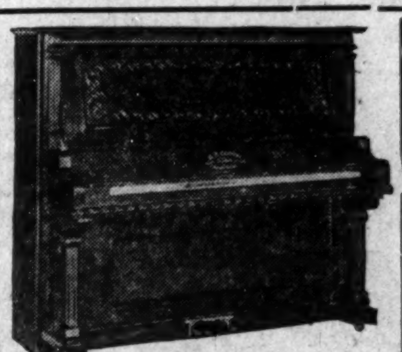

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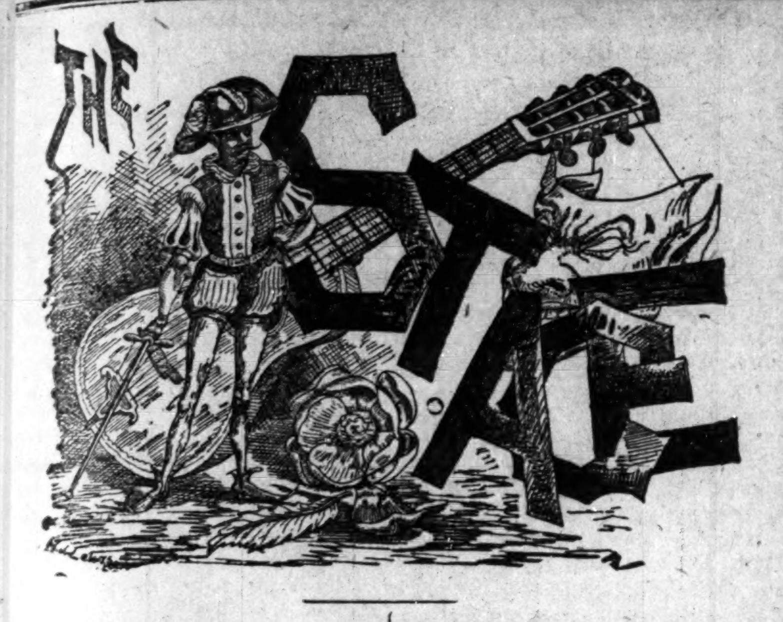


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Sylvester Russell has arrived in New York.

Owing to lack of space the emergency fund could not be published October 26 Contributions will be expected from each actor as soon as the proposition is read —S. R.

Arthur L. Prince and his troupe of educated hoops have decided to remain another season with Frank Mahara's Operatic Minstrels. He desires to thank the managers that offered him positions.

A few of the future attractions booked for English's are De Wolf Hopper and his company of seventy in "Mr. Pickwick." Robert Edison in Richard Harding Davis' "A Soldier of Fortune," and Lewis Morrison.

Neal Matthews, better known as "Mockingbird Rube," is now in Cincinnati at 410 W. Fifth, Ollie Dempsey's Place, where a concert hall is to be opened next month. "Rube" sends regards to Tom Logan and Mr. and Mrs. Kersands.

Frank Mahara has a swell porcelain bathtub on his car for the use of his company, and it is free of all charges All white managers of shows should provide this one article for the accommodation and convenience of their members

"A Chinese Honeymoon," which comes to English's Friday and Saturday nights, is one of the most gorgeous ever seen on any stage, and will begin there with all the elaboration of detail that elicited the enthusiastic approval of the New York press on the occasion of its long run at the Casino Theatre The company numbers ninety people and has twenty-five speaking parts.

Ernest Hogan and wife, Mattie Wilkes, assisted by others, are producing a one-act sketch in vaudeville called "A Missionary Man," written by William D. Hall, and said to be the most novel and original act of its kind ever produced on any stage. The New England papers sing its praises in a superlative major key and say it is a vehicle which affords Mr. and Mrs. Hogan and their assistants ample opportunity for the exploitation of their peculiar talents. The act is now being put on with elaborateness over the Poli circuit and the Bridgeport (Conn.) Daily Standard of October 20 says it proved the biggest hit in the history of the Poli Theatre there.

Notes from the Rabbit Foot Co.—Sam Cohen, interlocuter and all around man of the Rabbit Foot Co., sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Billy Bradley, singing and dancing comedian, sends regards to P. G. Lowerp and all other friends in and out of the profession. Amos Gillard, trombone soloist, enroute with the Rabbit Foot Co., has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, but is improving sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Will Goff Kennedy sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Notes from Alexander Bros.' Minstrels—Mr. and Mrs. Skip Farrell are now with us and are meeting with great success. They send regards to P. G. Lowery, the Gilliams, Bessie and Tena McCammon and James Lacy, bandmaster with the Billy Kersands Minstrel Co. F. Hammond sends regards to Houseley brothers and Ed. Winn. Billy Miller, monologuist, is making a big hit nightly singing "I'm Just Barely Living, That's All." He sends regards to all friends. Mr. and Mrs Ed. S. Anderson are scoring a hit nightly with their comedy duo. They send regards Dick Thomas, Eli Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Kersands, John Rucker and wife.

Notes from Domino theatre, Feranandina, Fla.—Our show opened this week with the side-splitting farce, "Dusky Jefferson," by the Domino Stock Co. Miss Kittie Brown is rendering and featuring "I Wants a Man Like Romeo,' also "In the Jungles I'm a Queen." "Jersey" is once more with us, and making a "hit" singing "I've Got to Get Some Money." Miss Tenia Gillam has made a decided "hit" with "My Hu Hula Girl" "Father" Kinnie is rendering "My Tantalizing Susa Ann" Miss Estella Jones is with us once more, and rendering "Go Home." Miss Ruth Spain is a singer of rare ability, and making good Dennis & Jones, high-class entertainers, are quite a "hit" this week, and featuring "Its the Band, Band, Band." The company joins me in sending regards to Thomas Logan and the Patti show "Jersey" sends regards to Dan Robinson, of Jacksonville.

A letter to this office from Charles L. Moore, personal representative of Williams and Walker, states that the comedians have already given their 150th performance at the Shaftesbury Theatre, London, and about March they will leave that playhouse for a tour of the provinces, returning to this country about May or June. Mr. Moore is pessimistic as regards the future of the black man in England and, although his company has met with pronounced success, says it is only a question of a very short time when he will be considered as lightly in the matter of his civil rights as he is now treated in America. In great part, Mr. Moore says, this deplorable condition of affairs has been brought about abroad through American newspapers, which seldom fail to maximixe the black man's vices and minimize his virtues. Something should be done to curb the growing hatred of the Negro that is rankling in the bosom of the Englishman, brought on wholly through his association with prejudiced Americans and the presence abroad of vicious American newspapers.

Notes from the Hottest Coon in Dixie Co—We are now in our fourteenth week of success. We now carry two bands and our own orchestra. Prof. Charles Woodford's dog, monkey and pony circus joined our show recently. Our street parade is surely a novelty. In our parade we have eight head of horses and three English traps, which the ladies drive. Will H. Jones, our musical comedian, has caught the South sure, and responds to several encores nightly. This show is responsible for two new teams that will appear in vaudeville this spring. Prof. William Flanner sends his regards to William Hanner and wife. Leona Harris is the proud possessor of a handsome diamond engagement ring. Prof. Alex Jackson, and his band, joined us at Charleston, W. Va, on the 2nd. John E. Jackson, our baritone trombone player, is at the city hospital in Altoona, Pa We met Bob Pannell while playing in Lynchburg, Va Bob is rehearsing his own show for a tour of the South. Al E and Mamie Holman send regards to Tom Logan, Daddy Love, Ross Hendrix, J. Albert Jaxon and others.

"The Fortune Hunters," in which the fascinating Hawthorne Sisters are now starring has proved to be a big success. The song hits are "The Girl Behind the Man Behind the Gun," "Susie," "The Plaint of a Mournful Maid," and "The Gentlemanly Thunderstorm." Judging from the titles these songs ought to be big "Winners." One of the hits of the play is Sidney Grant's imitation of Bert William's singing of "I'm A Jonah Man.

An entire new second act has been written for "Peggy from Paris," by Geo. Ade and William Loraine. In it Mr. Ade gets off some good things regarding present day politics, and Mr. Loraine has contributed some new successes. This has much improved the play and will give it a fresh impetus toward a continued popularity.

J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York: Bailey and Fletcher, the clever singing and dancing comedians, have returned to the city after playing a successful week's engagement at Rochester, N Y. Mr. Bailey states that the team will soon go over the Keith circuit.—Cole and Johnson were headliners Sunday night at two theatres, the Grand Opera House and the new Star—The Geagers, Maud and Billy, are in town.—Miss Marie Dressler is featuring Harry Brown and Tom Lemonier's big song success, entitled: "I'm Just Barely Living, That's All."—Smart and Williams are at the Atlantic Garden this week—The Hills are appearing this week at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre—George and Loretta Epps were among the headliners and made an enormous hit at the Bijou Theatre, Paterson, N J, Sunday night. The above named team is appearing in an act, written especially for them by Charles Howitz, entitled: "A Sympathetic Man," in which good wardrobe and some "hot" singing and dancing abound—Murphy and Francis are a big card at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre—Lord E. A. Denton's "A Wise Coon" company have begun their season. They are touring Delaware this week.—Tom Brown and Siren Navarro were excellently placed on the bill at Keith's last week, and were profusely applauded for the clever, finished manner in which they portrayed the different characters used in the sketch They left Sunday for Bridgeport, Conn., to fill an engagement this week at Poli's Theatre—Brandow and Wiley are now appearing over the Casto circuit, with Keith's to follow—Subscribe for and read The Freeman and keep posted on the doings of the race in and out of the profession. On sale every Saturday in New York at Slaughter's barber shop, 114 W. Thirty-first street—Irving Jones is on the Keith circuit.

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For the colored actors in America, I appoint Mr. Robert Cole vice-president and director of the fund, in case of sickness or death of the president. I appoint Mr. Elwood C. Knox secretary of the fund, with full power to appoint and announce his own assistant. I appoint Hon. George L. Knox, editor of The Freeman, as treasurer of the fund, (without bond) to be deposited in one bank, as the "Emergency Fund," subject to the regulations herewith included and controlled by the director and the board of trustees named in this statement. The board of trustees for this small fund I appoint as follows: J. Ed. Green, William McClain and Harry Fidler. These men, who reside in Indianapolis, I appoint for convenience of co-operation, and consider them equal to the requirements of the task, for an indefinite period.

The headquarters of the fund will be The Freeman office. The local Freeman agents in the larger cities throughout the country will be the representatives. A list of official representatives will appear in a later issue of The Freeman. November 1, 1903 will be known as "rally day." The grand collective rally to establish the fund will take place on that day, and be repeated on the same date of each successive year until the establishment of the greater fund is inaugurated. December 1st will be publication day. All contributions are to be publically acknowledged through The Freeman in its issue of that week. Every persons name and the amount given will be recorded and published. The contributions requested are as follows: Men, $1 00, no less, and as much more as the contributor desires to give, women 50c.

Every colored professional in the land is expected to respond to the above call by sending in a contribution to help swell the fund on November 1, 1903, which will be known then and hereafter as "rally day" in aid of the "Emergency Fund" of the Colored Actor's Fund of America. All money orders or registered letters must be addressed: Colored Actor's Emergency Fund, care of Elwood C Knox, secretary, Indianapolis, Ind. Remember it is important that all of the above statements and signatures be written in full by each sender. The amount necessary to establish the fund must necessarily reach $500. The sum of $1,000 is the amount we hope to reach. Full explanation of the financial operating requirements will be found in the "sinking fund" examples.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The duty of the president and director of the "Emergency Fund," as the instigator, and for the best present interests of the profession at large, will be to fully control the entire system, excepting the finance—the financial system to be governed by the trustees, to the satisfaction of the president. If the president disagrees with the board in total the final decision must go by a vote from the entire profession through a Freeman ballot, or private circular letter supplied by the secretary. The duty of the seretary is to receive all money and turn it over to the treasurer.

All cases of death or serious illness must be reported to the secretary. The secretary will have full power to act according to the rules stipulated below in paying out money, and using his own judgment in so doing in all cases of sickness or death that comes before his notice. The assistant secretary, appointed by him, is officially accepted as his successor in all cases of emergencies, under the same rules and restrictions laid down for the seretary.

The treasurer holds all the money, without power to dispose of it without an order from the secretary in charge or the director (in cases of sickness or death) only. The sinking fund can be at the disposal of the secretary in charge at any time, or of the director all within the bounds of official propriety.

The secretary must not pay out, at first, more than $100 for one burial and the expense of shipping the body home. The representatives should send a certificate from the doctor, or a letter-head signature from the undertaker as a guarantee of good faith or telegraph their name from great distances, or resort to any satisfactory proof of good faith to the secretary. This should be done at once on first appeal for money, and especially in cases of death, in order to save time.

The secretary has power to aid in sickness in amounts ranging from five to twenty-five dollars, or five dollars occasionally until that amount is reached before notifiying the president, who has power to act further with or without consulting the trustees. In cases of sickness the secretary must demand investigation if necessary.

Cases of any kind, which requires a vote from the entire profession, will be decided by the majority of a Freeman ballot. Any actor who has a grievance against the methods of any of the officials can call a consultation meeting on his own account at any place with twelve or more actors, and upon agreement of the majority, with their signatures, can call a vote of the entire profession to act thereupon at his own financial expense. The expense will be charges for its publication in The Freeman. This rule places the entire fund system within the lawful control of the profession at large. But no one man's complaint will have any weight, if the actors do not see fit to act or vote upon it as stipulated in the clause.

Nobody but professionals will be accepted as members of the fund, and no performers should be buried by the fund who have never contributed. Any white manager who has ever aided the fund is eligible to be buried by the fund or compensated in sickness the same as a colored member.

No benefit performances by actors or outsiders for the emergency fund will be allowed. This special fund should support itself by continuous contribution. Impostors will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Any actor known to be of good standing can command the burial of any performer, the same as a Freeman agent. Every actor or agent must keep an eye single to have any person or actor prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law who dares to deceive the fund. Any actor or agent is eligible to swear out a warrant for such an arrest, and will be backed up by the fund through its officials. Benefits for either fund can be given by permission from the president, or by himself if necessary, or by an appeal from the president to different companies, in order to keep the fund up to a proper figure in cases of much sickness, accidents or deaths.

All necessary business pertaining to the funds, etc, must be published in a special column of The Freeman, headed: "Actor's Fund Business." The trustees will not be active, excepting when called upon for consultation by the president. The trustees, in a body, or with combined signatures can call the president for consultation on any important question by mail or otherwise, at sinking fund expense.

THE SINKING FUND.

Two hundred dollars of the first "Emergency Fund" money must be set aside as a sinking fund. The necessary expenses of the business staff and other miscellaneous transactions will come out of this fund. This fund must be kept up independent of the greater fund. Its expenditures will be as follows: The secretary $50 per year; assistant secretary, $25 per year; treasurer, $35 per year. This salary list I consider consistently reasonable for the large amount of work to be continuously carried on in The Freeman office for the fund, and for the responsibility connected with it. The only compensation to be received by the president-director is to have his expense paid between New York and Indianapolis, including board while in the latter city on business emergencies appertaining to the fund. The vice-president will fare the same, only in service.

In cases of private business between the officials, trustees and the actors a circular letter must be printed in The Freeman office. Public announcement is to be made and actors will be obliged to send for a copy by inclosing a two cent stamp, and so convey the news around to other actors. No sinking fund money will be used for benefits or banquets. When the sinking fund is low, and it should never be permitted to fall below $100. The secretary will be obliged to assess each actor 25 cents a piece, according to requirements, by public announcement, to be followed by an immediate general rally. The telegraphing of money, the buying of account books, stamps and other incidental notions are all to be itemized by the secretary and given out in a yearly report. The payment for Freeman advertising, printing, sending of telegrams, etc., are all to be paid for by the sinking fund.

The president will answer any reasonable questons from any actor who encloses a stamp addressed envelop to the Freeman office.

CLOSING ADDRESS.

Resting with the hope that every performer and manager will read the above statement, which, if carried out, will establish the "Emergency Fund" of the Colored Actor's Fund of America on rally day, November 1, 1903. We must rest assured that through the mercy of a kind Providence we are permitted to do what we can do in good season, and with little labor to great reward. No effort in the future will ever meet with such a popular stamp of approval as this first effort, no matter what other efforts may be entered into hereafter. The possibility of establishing a home, supported by a music publishing house, is not only altogether interesting, but of primary interest to the ultimate welfare and happiness of every member of the profession, and valuable in history. Managers who have liberally rewarded colored performers of the present day are the truest hearted men of all the managers of today. These managers will not turn down the fund proposition if the actors who are nearest to them will represent the cause. No actor of understanding can read that which is written from the heart without feeling the weight of its value in his own heart and what it means to him. He must weigh what it means to condemn himself, his fellow man, his own self respect and the estimation of his continued popular favor in every direction. The actor who is of high standing and strong in finance shoud not stop to consider his elevated position in a cause so grand, necessary and noble as that which would elevate the standard of his weaker associates. It may be hard for him to feel it his duty, when he was never taught by precedent to sacrifice himself of his earnings, to give to charity, but now is the time to begin. When we look back and view the death record of the most prominent colored performers of their time we dread to hear mention of the past, we even feel that our present chances are better than theirs, but men who are born and not buried can never solve the end.

The future course of the colored star actors in charitable duty should not be any different from the disposition of the white actors. White actors of every grade recognize charity by precedent. If the colored profession is to prosper it should do likewise. While the noble Actor's Fund of America has never to my knowledge drawn the color line it behooves us, as a race apart in social equality, to look out for ourselves. In this, I mean that we should not desire to enter a white actor's home in old age or infirmity any more than they would desire not to have us there. We should therefore abridge the doubt, unite and pull together everywhere.

The order of "Buffalo's," in which Mr. William McClain once proclaimed in the interests of colored actors, was a very worthy cause, but the scattered condition of the profession and other causes rendered a secret order a general impossibility at that time, and we can now be able to count on Mr. McClain and all good "Buffalo's" to lend a helping hand to an object easier to accomplish, and one that will give strenghth to enable the secret orders to wax stronger. Enough plans have been suggested in the proposition to establish the fund. This collective system of personal benefit should be one of required duty and wilful brotherhood.

Charity, during the past season, having been tested for the first time in a general way by colored performers resulted, I should say, quite auspiciously. Discussion of the workings and progress of the fund must only be measured within the bounds of the fund, so let us not hear any cheap predictions, especially from actors, until the work of the "Emergency Fund" and its officials have been well tested. Then if the executives are not found wanting let the entire profession see to it that they themselves are quite as able and willing to keep the fund afloat, with nothing left to be done except to contribute all we are able to on rally day. There is no good reason why the fund should not be established. For the sake of the large majority of brother actors who will contribute, and who will be in suspense, and whose ears will harken to the bidding, and whose hearts will be throbbing for your hearty co-operation as one of them, or weeping at your silence. I appeal to you to make this glorious effort the most worthy undertaking of your life's career. God bless you and speed you in this effort.

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The following was taken from a letter written to our manager by E. S Brigham, manager of the Brigham circuit of theaters:

"Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 25, 1903.

Rusco & Holland; Home office, Tribune Building, Chicago, Ill.—Gentlemen: I received one of your small postal cards, in which you publish the receipts of your minstrels for the month of August, and I note that you say on this card that you played to $3 424.30 at the Gilliss in one week, whereas the exact receipts were $3 553.45. I cannot see any reason on earth why you should want to cut down the receipts, and I think such action is an injury both to the Gilliss and to the attraction.

Yours very truly,
E. S. BRIGHAM."

With three more stands we will finish the States of North and South Carolina. Although the S. R. O. sign was not displayed every night, yet business was good, considering that in a number of cases we played the following night after the Ted Faust's minstrels, and followed the who, what and when minstrels, which, judging from the press and public, they used vulgarity during the performance.

In my last week's notes I omitted to state that Miss Nettie Goff of the Black Patti company was over again in Asheville, N. C., to visit her former partner, William Garland.

Before this goes to press Joseph Means, one of our end men, will be home in Columbia, S. C., shaking hands with home folks and friends. He sends regards to Lewis Clay and D. B. Brooks.

William T Goode, basso, is still getting his nightly encores singing "The Chink of Miser's Gold." He says, "Sid Kirkpatrick and J L Johnson, write as per route in Freeman."

George Horace, solo clarionetist, says hello Billy Johnson.

To those who have left the show I wish you would please send me the amount in stamps for The Freeman and route sheet I trusted you for. I know the amount is small, but as I had to pay for the same from a business standpoint, I would like to have it, as I have waited long enough, and as my little red book don't lie and I don't want to read any names out in church.

To Members of Company, those that Buy Freemans: I wish you would not loan them to be read, or those that take route sheets, I wish you would not loan them to be copied from by some others that are too cheap to spend five or ten cents a week for the same, and you will do me a great favor.

All the boys are well and doing nicely and wish all of you success, and we are glad to hear from you through The Freeman or otherwise.

Notes from Blue Ribbon Theatre, Louisville, Ky., C. C. Roth, General Manager.—Our show is still the talk of the town. We opened last week with the Wilsons (Charles and Dora) in a comedy sketch entitled a "Wife's Revenge," the Prices, the king and queen of comedy, Lilly Greer, the pleasing soubrette, John Goodloe, the coon song delineator, and Musical Director John Barber. Joe Clark, Jr., is with us again after a brief season with Al. W. Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin company. Mr. Clark's position from a theatrical point of view is an unique one, he having the doubtful honor (?) of joining more companies than any other local, and is always the first man back home. Tom Logan, the universal favorite, left November 5th to fill a special engagement with the Domino Stock company at Fernandina, Fla, but will return to open Ninaweb Park as manager. He leaves an opening that is hard to fill. In the words of local friends, Tom is all "Sedittis." Eugene Clark, the promoter, carried another "snap" out last Tuesday, and after playing "one consecutive night" conveniently closed, but nearly all of the performers managed to return, and are busy "resolving to resolve."

Notes from the magnet of minstrelsy, Billy Kersand's own big company.—Well, we have invaded the Lone Star State, and to say that we are "cleaning up" would be but to say what has so often been said until it seems useless—unprecedented business. In several of the towns during the past week the demand has been so great for seats until the white population bought the house outright, we are sorry to say, shutting out our colored brother entirely. But in this respect we must say these oufay audiences have been composed of the elite, and the number of ladies in the audiences have astonished us, and our treatment, though playing some of the so-called worst towns in the state, has been better than was expected by the most conservative. Sam Cook is making quite a "hit" with his new song: "Any Rags." Oscar Cameron, of the Alabama quartette, never fails to get "his," singing "I'm Going to Leave." The Houseley Brothers are mystifying the audiences with their act. Such was never seen in this section heretofore. Prof. James Lacy's band has about reached that stage of perfection that he has been striving so hard to bring it up to, and is the subject of much comment among musicians everywhere it is heard. Kid Langford's recitation: "The Village Blacksmith" leaves the audience in an uproar at each performance. We are sorry to chronicle the sad news of the death of the father of Benny Jones, of Cook & Jones. The entire company sympathizes with Mr. Jones in his bereavement. Mr. and Mrs. Kersands sends regards to all brother and sister companies. May success crown your efforts. The Houseley's will show their old homstead (Natchez) December 26. They will be pleased to meet all old friends. Ted and Harry Morton send regards to H. Quallie Clark and wife, W. M. Johnson and Pop Adams. Will Taylor sends regards to Al Holman and wife and Jackson. Wm. Thomas sends regards to W. Goff Kennedy and A. G. Jones.

Notes from the Exchange Garden Theatre, Jacksonville, Fla.—Our show still continues to draw big houses, and is giving satisfaction. The opening act: "Primus, the Confidential Servant," went big. Dan Robinson, the Master; Miss Pearl Woods, the Mistress; Buddie Gleen, the servant; Miss Sarah Price, Aunt Cloe; Dennis Mitchell, Bill Bilvens. Invited guests: Miss Agnes Powell, Miss Annie Jones and Miss Virgie Deor. The act was laughable from start to finish, and everybody was well pleased. Mr. Thomas Baxter, the proprietor, has repainted the theatre, and having an entire new set of scenery for the stage, and when everything is completed it will be one of the finest vaudeville houses in the South. Miss Sarah Price and Mr Dennis Mitchell are somewhat ill. Mr. Bobby Kemp, the singing and dancing comedian, late of Black Patti's company, arrived in the city on the 29th from New York, and met his old friends, Buddie Glenn and Bob Russell, who were glad to see him. Mr. Kemp is here this winter for a little rest. He sends regards to Mr. and Mrs. Kersands, Prof. James Lacy and all friends in and out of the profession.

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The Topeka Industrial Institute is the Western outgrowth of Booker T. Washington's Tuskegee in Alabama. It was founded in 1895, at Topeka, Kansas. Mrs. Eliza Chrisman, an old lady of philanthropic inclinations, donoted a sum of money sufficient to buy several lots, erect buildings and establish a trades department. After five years of struggles and slow progress Booker T. Washington was consulted and recommended the appointment of William R Carter, a graduate of Tuskegee, as Principal of the school. Since the advent of Mr. Carter as principal in 1900, the industrial institute has taken on an active lease of life. The faculty has been considerably enlarged and strengthened new trades have been added, new property and equipment purchased, more buildings erected, the enrollment has been more than doubled and from a local institution the school has been spreading octopus-like until it now embraces the whole western section. School opened Oct. 13th, with the largest enrollment ever recorded in the history of the school. Students are present from seventeen counties in Kansas, also from Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Missiouri, Colorado, Montana, Oaklahomo and Indian Territory. The school is located upon a most beautiful spot, upon a hill commanding a magnificent view of the whole of Topeka and the country for miles around, with a large farm of 105 acres of fine rich soil and a number of buildings suitable for school purposes. The Topeka industrial institute is incorporated under the laws of Kansas, and has a Board of Trustees made up of some of the most prominent and successful citizens of Kansas. The Industrial Institute is non sectarian, co educational and thoroughly Christian institution. During the past year the boys were taught tailoring, printing, bookbinding carpentry and mechanical drawing, painting and various phases of agriculture sugar beet culture being especially emphasized. The girls were taught sewing, laundrywork, cooking, millinery, basket making and dressmaking. All of the work of the school is done by students in these departments, who receive pay on their expenses for their services. The painters do all the painting, the printers do all school printing and do work for outsiders as well, the tailors make all cadet uniforms, the dressmakers and milliners make uniform dresses and hats for the female students and the cooking classes look after the preparation and serving of all meals. Music, Shorthand and Typewriting departments are maintained. All the young men students receive military training. Rigid discipline is there by obtained through the student cadet officers. One half day is devoted to the literary work and the remaining half day to industrial work. The property of the school, consistong of three city buildings and nine lots, and the farm of 105 acres valued at $20,000 All property is deeded to a board of trustees, who hold the same in trust for Negro education.

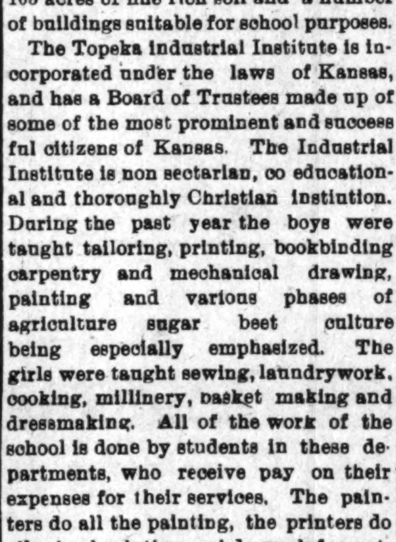
Recently two Negroes were matriculated in the Berlin University, Germany. One of them is Richard Wright, from Georgia, and the other Thomas Lillard, from Tennessee. These two young Negroes both inscribed themselves in the German University for the study of theology. The Berlin correspondent, who reports the fact, says that the university students manifested nither excitement nor surprise in any degree when they heard that Wright and Lillard had entered the University, although the appearance of Negroes among them was a new thing.

The colored students of the University of Indiana at Bloomington, Ind., have organized a Greek letter fraternity, the first of its kind in the United States. It is called Alpha Kappa Nu and has nine members. The members are all Negroes who are working their way through the university, and the plan of organizing a fraternity was hit upon as a means of bringing the colored students together in their work. This is the Alpha chapter, and similar fraternities will be formed in the other colleges of the Northern States.

The heirs of "Click" Mitchell have received their proportion of the damages awarded on account of his having been lynched in Ohio. The beneficiaries were Mrs. Lillian Brown and Mrs. Daisy Paine of Chicago, sisters of Charles W. Mitchell, who was lynched at Urbana, Ohio, June 4th, 1897. Each secured one fourth of a verdict of $5,000, the remainder went to the two heirs residing in Ohio.

The colored farmers of the State of Virginia met in Richmond, Oct 20 1903. The Conference was called to order by Dr. R. E Jones, the founder of the congress. Many business ideas were discussed by the different farmers and the counties of the State were largely represented.

Miss Della Gorden, Shreveport, La. is a drummer for a large wholesale and retail drug house. She is the only woman of color known holding such a position.




### BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.

Since our last writing the following incidents have occurred: The company is still playing to packed houses nightly, with only Mr. Leslie Triplett and William Nichols on the sick list. On the 9th inst. the following members were initiated in Eureka Lodge No 5 I. B. P. O. Elks of Norfolk, Va.: A. D. Byrd, Allie T. Gilliam, James P. Reed, Mack Allen, Will A. Cook, Leslie Triplett and The Freeman's correspondent. After the initiation an elaborate repast was served by the members of the lodge at the Newport restaurant. This is the only Negro theatrical organization that the whole company are colored Elks.

Miss Nettie Goff, our trombone soloist, visited her husband, Will Garland, the vocal director of the Georgia minstrels, at Durham, N. C., on Sunday, Nov. 1.

Miss Alice Gray, the greatest lady cornetist, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Miss Amy Smith are our latest members, supplanting Miss Mabel Turner and Miss Olivette Williams.

J Ed Green, the "Bronze Chesterfield," has many new compositions in the hands of M. Whitmark & Sons, and at present is writing a three act comedy to the music of T. Walton Wilson's composition.

Bob Kelly, our leading comedian, also Messrs. Leslie Triplett and Ward were the guests of Mr. Bob Russell and wife and Buddie Glenn while in Jacksonville, Fla., Sunday, the 26th.

Prof. J. A. Paynes, formerly our music director, owing to sickness returned to New York City. Prof. Jose M. Acogna of Mexico, a graduate of the Conservatory of Music, takes his place.

Miss Ida Forcen sends her regards to Miss Muriel Ringgold, who soon becomes a mother, and wishes her all the luck in the world in her new position.

Bob Kelley was presented with a handsome silver-headed cane by the manager of the opera house in Brunswick, Ga., on the 24th.

While playing Savannah, the 23d, the members of the company were banquetted by Weldon Lodge No. 26 I. B. P. O. Elks aside from being escorted to and from the theatre by the following members of the lodge: Past Exalted Ruler William H. Reed, Ross E. Johnson, Charles Ford, C. H. Alster, P. Garton, Dr Johnson, J. Bythwood, W. E. Belle, Wm. H. Herbert, R. L. Jones, T. Onlson, H. B. Harris and J. Ubanks.

B. W. O.

### A GEORGIA ABSURDITY.

A peculiar incident occurred on Wednesday last when the Black Patti company were filling an engagement at Sale-Davis opera house in Albany, Ga. The I. B. P. O. Elks of that city had never saw a colored Elk so, when they saw some of the company upon the street wearing Elk buttons, it created a little sensation. Later in the day a mob of about ten white men attacks one of the members and the following dialogue occurred:

"What are you doing with that pin on?"

The colored man said "I have a right to wear it."

After which the spokesman of the gang said "I have my card."

The colored man said "I have mine also."

Then the whites held a consultation, and after a few minutes the spokesman said, after examination his card, "you niggers can't wear them pins in this town, and you've got to take 'em off."

The colored man hesitated for a minute when the mob started to cut the pin from his coat, but, with resistance, he would not allow them to cut it from his coat (as they had knives drawn) but took it out himself.

The Freeman correspondent after getting the story, took his Elk pin off and strolled through the business center of the city to a near by cafe. Perchance I was acquainted with the proprietor in Chicago, his former home, though he has been a resident of Albany, Ga., for a number of years. After relating to him the former experience of his brother Elk he said:

About three years ago the Uniform Rank of Knights of Pythias (colored) of Brunswick, Ga., held a conclave here, and, as usual, paraded in the full regalia of the rank; meanwhile there was a white uniformed rank in Albany composed of the business men of the city, their costumes including plumed hat and uniform, sword and belt costing over one-hundred dollars.

After seeing those Negroes in their regalia the white lodge refused to go out in their uniforms any more; and to substantiate his story, as he is a member, he stated he would sell his full uniform sword, belt and plumed hat for fifteen dollars.

The cause: A colored company of Knights had the same regalia as theirs.

The result: Uniform rank disbanded.

Notes from Mason's Park, Jacksonville, Fla.—The show, under the management of Mr. Walter Crampton, is meeting with great success. Everybody knows Crampton is a hustler, and does hustle. Miss Carrie Hall, the "coon shouter," sets them wild with her coon songs. Mrs. Pauline Crampton never fails to make good. Miss Ania Golden is growing in popularity. Lattimore Robinson, the young comedian, is fast coming to the front. Prof. W. H. Dorsey is musical director, and that is sufficient. Simmons and Batie, the singing and dancing team, closed a successful engagement of twelve weeks at the Little Gem theatre, Fernandinna, Fla., and opened Monday, October 19th, at Mason's new park, where they are booked for six weeks. Regards to Richard Cross, John Dennis and all Fernandina friends. They are the top nochers with Crampton's aggregation. Miss May Long, late of Black Patti's show, arrived in the city Thursday, October 29th, from New York. She will spend the winter in Florida. The Black Patti company showed here to big business Sunday and Monday, October 25 and 26. Buddie Glenn met all of his old friends, especially J. Ed. Green. Mrs Alma Glenn, better known as "Riah," sends regards to Miss Jessie Thomas, Tom Logan, Prof Geo. B. Rhone and Eugene Hester. Bob Russel is slowly recovering, and sends regards to all friends. Dennis Mitchell sends regards to John Rucker. Buddie Glenn sends regards to Mrs. Wille Campbell, Dick Weston, James W. Campbell, Kersand's minisstrels, Dudley Powell, Sunny Marshall, L. E. Gideons, Jones & Cook, Daddy Love and all Chicago friends. Don't forget to get a copy of the Fre man, the greatest Negro paper ever published. On sale every Saturday at 125 Bridge street, or at the book store of John H. Johnson, 216 Bridge street.

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P. G. LOWERY.

Notes from Allen's Minstrels.—As is usual all are well. Business is good and the ghost is complaining of over work. The big show is larger and better than ever—thanks to Mr. Quine, the N. S. C., and the elaborate costumes recently purchased by Mr. Quine, our able and genial manager. The N. S. C. gave their second banquet in Ft. Smith, Ark., and, if possible, this one was far superior to the first one. Although the club is still in its infancy, Ciper Heidsick's Mums and Cooks were the predominating averages on this occasion. "Tom Moore" and "Fontella" found their way to the spacious pockets of each member. Once more Mr. J. Thos. Fernando was called on to manifest his elcquence, and the way he delivered the opening address was a caution. Song, mirth and music were the crowning features. The essays read and written by Mrs. Hattie, and especially that of Miss Mayme Garland, were among the best the club has ever heard. Mr. Sam'l Johnson, marshal of club, is still a great credit and coupled to the sagacity of Judge James Norten they are making things exceedingly lively for wrong doers of N. S. C. Mr Johnson as a public speaker is no novice by great odds. Mr. Tibbs and Warren were dishonorably discharged from the club, and Mr. Warren will close with show and seek refuge at Hot Springs, Ark. It would best be a farm. Prof. H. S. McDade's orchestra opened with Scott Joplin's master piece, "The Entertainer," and closed with "Maple Leaf." Mr. H. S. Smith sang "Aint Dat An Awful Feeling." The club sends regards to Williams and Stevens and says boys, you should be here now—see. James Wise was master of ceremonies. Arthur Willison has joined us and is now an active member.

The Whitman Sisters' High Class Vaudeville Company will open in Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 18th headed by Willie Robinson and Kid Wade.

### Hot Springs News.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—The annual conference of the A. M. E. Church convened at Visitors' Chapel, Wednesday morning the 4th, with Bishop Tyree presiding. Miss Bell Moore of Pine Bluff, is here for the season. Mrs. Emma Jones and her two daughters of Altiemer, arrived last Thursday week and expects to make this their permanent home. Tom Johnson of Milwaukee, Wis., is here for the season.

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### CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

William England has removed to Coxville, Ind.

Mrs. Georgia Porter has returned from a month's visit in Detroit, Mich.

James N. Shelton of the firm of Morgan & Shelton, undertakers, is quite ill at this writing.

The hotel boys will give their fourth annual ball Thanksgiving evening at Cleveland Club hall.

Mrs. Allen Scott and Miss Lizzie Downs of Lebanon, Ind., were in the city a few hours last Sunday.

Damon Company No. 1 K. of P. will give a Thanksgiving ball at Anderson, Ind., on the evening of the 26th.

James Sleet, who saw service both in Cuba and the Philippines, is now residing with his wife at 944 W. North street.

All members of the Waiters' Union are requested to meet at their rooms in the Planet Hotel Monday evening, November 16th.

A series of meetings conducted by the noted evangelist, Mrs. C. A. Jackson, at the First-st. M. E church, Muncie, Ind., under the pastorage of Rev. H. Griffin and his estimable wife, has just closed. The meetings resulted in several conversions and additions to the church.

What was supposed to be a reception given by Mrs. Blackwell, 357 W. 15th street, in honor of her niece, Miss Mary Davis, really was a wedding, Mr. Alex Martin of Cairo, Ill., being the bride groom. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Cairo, where Mr. Martin is well connected.

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### Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society will entertain the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow afternoon at South Cavalry Baptist church, Rev. Williams, pastor, will deliver the address. The public is cordially invited.

### MEETING OF HIGH MASONS.

A council of deliberation for the State of Indiana will be organized at Masonic Hall next Monday, Nov. 16th, beginning at 2 p. m. Representatives from the Scottish Rite Consistories at Muncie. Richmond and Indianapolis will meet to organize the body. In the evening of Nov. 16th the Consistory of this city will tender the delegates a banquet.

### NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE NOTES.

H. L. Sanders, president of the local Business League, is in receipt of a letter from Fred R. Moore, Brooklyn, N. Y., national organizer and corresponding secretary of the Negro Business League. urging immediate action along organization lines. There will be a meeting at Flanner Guild next Thursday night. All members of the local league are expected to be present.

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Rev. Gibson left Thursday for Louisville, Ky., to conduct a ten days' meeting at Knox Presbyterian church of that city.

### CORINTHIAN BAPTIST NOTES.

Rev. J. Franklin Walker pastor. Sunday-school 9 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; communion first Sunday each month.

All services were well attended last Sunday. Rev. Hillman of Terre Haute spoke to large audiences at morning and evening services. Quite a neat sum was realized from the rally.

### BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

Vermont street, between Missouri and Toledo streets. Rev. J. M. Townsend, pastor. Services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school 2:30 p. m.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting. Miss Hallie Q. Brown was well received by an appreciative audience Thursday evening. To-morrow night Prof. W. D. Collins will conduct an excellent song service.

### METROPOLITAN BAPTIST NOTES.

422 North Senate avenue, Rev. T. W. Lott, pastor; Sunday School 9:30; preaching 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening.

Rev. Lott will continue his special sermons on Christian work next Sunday. The Ladies' Aid Circle reported $48 80 from the fair. There will be a rummage sale at the Metropolitan Baptist church beginning Nov 17th and lasting three days. Mrs. Kitty Minter will serve dinner at the church Thursday from 11:30 to 2 p. m.

### ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Hours of service:—Sunday, 10:45 a. m., preaching; 12 m., class; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m., preaching; class Tuesday night; prayer meeting Thursday night; teacher's meeting Friday night. Rev. H. E. Stewart, pastor, residence 1501 Cornell ave.

All services were well attended last Sunday. The congregation and pastor took part in Bethel's quarterly meeting service in the afternoon while the choir rendered music for the rally at Corinthian Baptist church. Rev. Stewart's excellent sermons are being well received. The Sisters of Charity will have an annual sermon preached at this church Sunday afternoon by Rev H. E. Stewart. The Woman's Mite Missionary Society will meet Friday week at 621 Adelaide street, between Walnut and North, at Mrs. Hattie Turner's. The pastor will preach the first of a series of illustrated sermons Sunday night. Life size on canvas.

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